

YOU MAY BE WHATEVER YOU RESOLVE TO BE. — Joel Hawes.

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Aliens Must Report Addresses in January

The Immigration and Nationality Act of 1952 requires each alien who is residing in the United States on January 1, 1955, to report his current address to the Commissioner of the Immigration and Naturalization Service within the period January 1 to 31, 1955.

All post offices throughout the continental United States, Guam, Alaska, Hawaii, Puerto Rico, and the Virgin Islands will participate in this program by distributing the address report cards to the aliens, collecting the cards from the aliens, and forwarding the completed cards to designated Immigration and Naturalization Service offices.

Happy New Year, Mr. Driver
Best of luck in '55!
May we offer this suggestion:
Take it easy . . . stay alive!

Gilead

Mrs. Florence Holder, Corres.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Richardson of Monmouth spent Christmas with his sister, Mrs. Florence Holder and family.

Miss Emeline Heath of Boston, Mass., spent the week end with her cousin, Mrs. Mildred McLain.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Simino and family and Mr. and Mrs. Fletcher Blair of North Stratford, N. H., have moved onto the Dr. Burton Monroe Farm, formerly known as the John Richardson Farm.

A/3c Leo Tyler of the Dow Air Force Base is spending several days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Tyler.

Mr. and Mrs. George Decoster and family spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wilton York, in Canton.

Miss Janette Decoster of Gosham, N. H., is a guest this week of her cousin, Miss Nancy Decoster.

Mrs. Florence Holder was a recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. William Dyer in Bryant Pond.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Barnes of Casco, N. H., were week end guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Tyler.

Middle Intervale Road --

Mary C. Stanley, Corres.

Mr. and Mrs. Leslie E. Davis have closed their house for the winter and started for Florida.

Mr. and Mrs. Buddy Howe and son of Portland were Christmas guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Ward.

Richard Carter and family were guests of his mother, Mrs. Fannie Carter for Christmas.

Ronald Stevens entertained his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carey Stevens, and his daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Johnson and family of Bailey's Island.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Stanley, Dawn and Warren, of South Portland, called at H. S. Stanley's Monday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kennah had as guests over the week end Mr. and Mrs. Howard McAllister and family of South Paris, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Kennah and family of South Paris and Mr. and Mrs. Gustie Kennah and family of North Waterford.

The Week in Oxford County

The will of Berlin W. Tinker filed in Probate Court, South Paris, named Fryburg Academy principal beneficiary in his \$100,000 estate. Mr. Tinker retired from superintendent of schools in Waterbury, Conn. in 1925. He had lived in Fryburg ever since.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Cunningham of Peru observed their 50th wedding anniversary on Christmas day. They held open house from 2 to 5 p. m.

John Matta, 40, of Norway, died at the CMG Hospital, Lewiston, early Sunday morning following an automobile accident Saturday afternoon in Oxford. According to reports from State Police the car in which Mr. Matta was riding ran into the rear of a parked truck.

An adult and child were reported in serious condition at the Rumford hospital. Philip Deane, 58, was struck by a car while walking on River Street, Rumford, Saturday night. Terrence Helyes, 3-year-old son of John W. Helyes of Oxford Ave., Rumford, fell out of the rear door of his father's Southern Oxford County.

MRS. GRACE G. SKILLINGS

Mrs. Grace Grover Skillings, widow of Herman Skillings, died late Monday night at the home of her grandson, Elton Coolidge. She had been in failing health several years.

Mrs. Skillings was born in Bethel Nov. 21, 1867, daughter of Albert W. and Olive Willis Grover, and spent most of her life here.

Since the death of her husband, she had made her home with her daughter, Mrs. Floyd Coolidge, and her son, Albert Skillings.

Survivors include a son, Albert, Bethel; two daughters, Mrs. Joan Coolidge and Mrs. Marion Coolidge, Bethel; a brother Archer L. Grover, Hallowell, 10 grandchildren, 17 great-grandchildren and several nieces and nephews.

Funeral services were held Thursday afternoon, Dec. 30, at 2:00 p. m. at the Greenleaf funeral home. Rev. Charles Pendleton officiated. Burial was in the West Bethel Flat cemetery.

MRS. SUSIE FRENCH

Mrs. Susie P. Virgin French died Monday morning in CMG Hospital following a short illness.

Born at Bethel, Jan. 15, 1882, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Virgin, she attended Gould Academy and was graduated from Rumford High School. She taught school a few years and was a teller at Casco Bank and Trust Co., Rumford, prior to her retirement three years ago. She was married to George H. French, Oct. 23, of this year.

Mrs. French is survived by her husband; two brothers, Wirt Virgin, West Paris, and Lester Virgin, Hanover; and several nieces and nephews.

KENDRA C. CURTIS

Kendra Carol Curtis, aged two months, died Thursday, Dec. 23, at CMG Hospital, Lewiston, where she had been a patient the past few weeks.

Born Oct. 8, 1954, in Rumford, she was the daughter of Louis and Patricia Scribner Curtis.

Surviving besides her parents, are her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Guy Scribner, Albany, and Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Curtis, East Bethel; and several aunts and uncles.

Funeral services were at the Greenleaf funeral home Sunday afternoon. Rev. Charles Pendleton officiated.

MR. AND MRS. HERMON CUMMINGS, JR.

(Nancy Cummings) who were married December 1 at Locke Mills. They are now living in Portsmouth, Va., where Mr. Cummings is stationed.

COMMENTS FROM THE OFFICE OF THE TOWN MANAGER

1954 is almost over. Gone with the Old Year are all of our mistakes (mine have been many). Gone are the many opportunities for doing good that we have missed.

1955 is just ahead—365 days as yet untouched. I sincerely hope that we, who for a time however short are entrusted with the municipal affairs of Bethel, will be able to profit by past errors and will be able to use each new opportunity to make Bethel a better place in which to live.

Best Wishes for a Happy and Prosperous New Year.

O. T. Rozelle

BETHEL AND VICINITY

Miss Esther Tyler, Portland, is spending the Christmas vacation at her home.

Mr. and Mrs. Homer Tibbitts, Berlin, N. H., were week end guests of relatives in town.

Miss Betty Chapman is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hastings in Dorchester, Mass.

Lester Coolidge returned home from the Central Maine General Hospital last Thursday.

Miss Betty Pierce of South Paris is spending this week with Shirley Ann Morrill, Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert York attended the funeral of George York of Portland on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Howe and family are spending several days with Dr. and Mrs. E. L. Brown.

Miss Glenyce Berry is spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Stevens in Lewiston.

Miss Mary Jane Chapman is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Myron Lane at Vallowton, Mass.

Mrs. Alice Taylor is spending some time with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hanley and family at Pemaquid.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbert Bartlett and family of Hampden were week end guests of Mrs. Walter Bartlett.

The young ladies gym class will meet Tuesday evening, Jan. 4, at 7:30 at the William Bingham Gym.

Orrell Anderson is spending this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Donald Etherington, Randolph, Vt.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Greenleaf of Farmington are spending this week with Dr. and Mrs. S. S. Greenleaf.

Mrs. Lillian MacKinnon and son, Charles, Mexico, spent the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hastings.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Berry and daughter of Bluehill are spending the holiday vacation with relatives in town.

Li Donald Lord and Donald Mott are spending a few days with Li Lord's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Lord.

Miss Eva Morrill of Bethel spent a few days with her aunt, Mrs. James Lassiter of South Paris, last week.

Mrs. John Lane and son, North Brookfield, Mass., spent Christmas week end with Mr. and Mrs. Dana Brooks.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert LeClair and daughter Judith of New Britain, Conn., were Christmas guests of relatives here.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald Calderwood of Portland visited with Mr. and Mrs. George Taylor and family over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. Glendon McAllister of Boston were overnight guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Berry Wednesday.

James Stevens of Lewiston is spending his week end vacation at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Berry.

Mr. and Mrs. Marjorie York of Plainfield, Vt., visited at the home of Wesley Wheeler a few days the first of the week.

Miss Charlene Rice went to Locke Mills to visit with her aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Croon, for a few days.

Clifford Larson is returning to Chatham, N. J., today after spending several days with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Carl Larson.

Mrs. Isabelle Bennett, Ithaca, N. Y., and Miss Alice Bennett, Naahua, N. H., are spending the Christmas recess with their mother, Mrs. Frances Bennett.

Misses Patricia Kittredge and Betty Lou York will arrive home tonight after spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. Harvey Jones in Lewiston.

Best Wishes to All During 1955

THE CITIZEN STAFF

COMMITTEES FOR CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH SUPPER NAMED

Committees appointed for the supper to be held January 8, 1955, at the Congregational Church dining room.

Supper committee: Mrs. Feroi Godwin, Mrs. Marguerite Bartlett, Mrs. Jane Van Den Kerckhoven, Mrs. Mary Ladd, Mrs. Edith Howe.

Dining room committee: Mrs. Elmer Bennett, Miss Pauline Klag, Mrs. Grace Morrill, Mrs. Ada Durell, Mrs. Edith Brown, Mrs. Betty Soule, Mrs. Pearl Tibbitts, Mrs. O. T. Rozelle.

Clean-up committee: Mrs. Marie Nichols, Mrs. W. G. Greig, Mrs. Harry Swift, Mrs. Gayle Foster, Mrs. Grace Philbrook, Mrs. Harriet Hall. Tickets: Mrs. Betty Soule.

Posters: Miss Gwen Stearns.

AGRICULTURAL TRADES SHOW DATES ANNOUNCED

The Maine Department of Agriculture has announced that the annual Agricultural Trades Show will be held on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday, January 18, 19, and 20, 1955. The site will be the Lewiston Armory. Meetings for dairymen, poultrymen, vegetable and fruit growers, and florists will be held. The latest in farm machinery and equipment will be on display. Everyone's welcome to attend.

Rev. and Mrs. Kingsley Hawthorne and daughter Sarah of Lowell, Mass., were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Bennett Tuesday through Thursday.

Visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Taylor on Wednesday and Thursday were Harold Taylor of Axtell, Kansas, and Rev. Leroy Van Virth of Bayonne, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Elwood Ireland are spending this week with Mr. and Mrs. Robert Stuehman and family, Middlebury, Vt., and Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ireland, Springfield, Vt.

Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Conroy and children have returned to Reading, Mass., after spending a few days with his mother, Mrs. Sylvia Conroy, and grandmother, Mrs. Grace Swan.

Mrs. Minnie Richardson and Wesley Wheeler visited over the week end with Mr. and Mrs. Jesse Doyen and family in South Portland and Mrs. Carl Hall in Portsmouth.

Scott Guernsey, who is stationed in Texas, is spending this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Anna Guernsey David Durgin, Annapolis, Md., is also a guest at the Guernsey home.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillips Brooks are spending several days visiting Mr. and Mrs. Glen McEever, Hingham, Mass.; Mr. and Mrs. Gus Balocco, Oyster Bay, L. I., N. Y., and Mr. and Mrs. James Bryant, East Meadow, L. I., N. Y.

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MORE MILK TO BE AVAILABLE TO SCHOOL CHILDREN

Beginning with the first Tuesday (Jan. 4) of the winter term extra milk will be available to all who wish it in the Bethel schools and at Locke Mills. This new program will include the rural as well as the village schools. Because of an added government subsidy the charge will be only five cents per half pint bottle and a child may have as many bottles as he wishes for consumption at recess or noon. To those who are recognized as being financially unable to pay, some free milk will be allowed.

FIRE DAMAGES KEOSKIE HOME

A basement fire at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Keoskie, corner of Elm and Railroad Streets, Sunday afternoon, caused damage estimated at \$1,000. Mr. Keoskie suffered slight burns.

HOLIDAY DANCE WEDNESDAY NIGHT POPULAR EVENT

The Gould Academy Alumni Association's annual holiday party was held Wednesday evening. Sixty-six were present at the buffet supper at the Students' Home at 6:30, and the dance in the Gymnasium later was much enjoyed. Mr. and Mrs. Glendon McAllister of Boston came the greatest distance. Richard Eastman was winner of the television set.

PUBLICITY BUREAU TO STAGE PROMOTION PAGEANT JAN. 18

The total state promotion program of Maine will be on parade at Augusta January 18 in conjunction with the 33rd Annual Meeting of the State of Maine Publicity Bureau with the presentation of the first "Maine Promotion Pageant."

According to Bureau president James M. Acheson of Augusta, all the "selling tools" of the various State agencies and of the Bureau, used during 1954 to produce more business for Maine, will be on exhibit.

The "Maine Promotion Pageant" will be open to the public from noon on at the Augusta House, Augusta. The entire lobby and dining room area will be utilized for the showing. Charts, pictures, animated displays, publicity materials and literature will be used to show how each separate agency functions to promote Maine.

Participating agencies in the "Pageant" will be: The Maine Publicity Bureau, Maine Development Commission, Inland Fisheries and Game Department, Sea and Shore Fisheries Department, Department of Agriculture, Forest Service, State Highway Commission, State Park Commission, Maine Police Tax, Maine Sardinia Tax, and Maine Milk Committee, Dairy Council of Maine, Building Committee Eastern State Exposition, State Chamber of Commerce and the Maine Port Authority.

Acheson stated, "This will be the first time the people of Maine have had the opportunity to see just what is being done by the State promotion-wise, all wrapped up in one compact package."

ONLY FREE ENTERPRISE HAS DIGNITY FOR INDIVIDUAL

Los Angeles, Calif., Lincoln Heights Bulletin-News: "Free Enterprise" embodies all that brings dignity to the human race. Without this freedom there would be no profit for the individual, no satisfaction in his work, no personal liberty. Compare our personal freedom to work for profit to own our own home and business to choose daily jobs, and the satisfaction which we get from them with the rigid control over human activity in the communist world and the fascist world and we know indeed that "Free Enterprise" is the greatest term in the world.

New Year Ball FRIDAY EVENING, DEC. 31 Newbury Corner Grange Hall DANCING 8:30-12:30 Balloon Dance-Other Entertainment Adm. 50c

BETHEL RESTAURANT MAIN STREET (Under New Management Oscar and Barbara Sweetser) Enjoy a meal or lunch where coffee is 35c a cup with meal or a sandwich.

Workingman's Special (6 Days a Week, 95c, includes coffee and dessert) Cheeseburgers 30c Hamburgers 25c Pies 15c Hot Dogs 15c

May Dissolve Corporation at Meeting Tonight

There will be a meeting of the Bethel Village Corporation at the Community Room tonight at 7:30 to see if the voters wish to dissolve the Corporation and surrender its charter. Although the question was considered a few years ago, when the citizens decided to continue the Corporation, of late a sentiment again has developed in favor of discontinuing the organization.

The Corporation was organized 65 years ago. About that time the Bethel Water Company began its service and the villagers were interested in fire protection. Other advantages considered were street lighting, police protection and shade trees.

During the past few years the town has been paying for lights and improvements toward fire protection outside the village limits, and the original pride of village inhabitants in their independence seems to have waned. It is understood that there has been little if any opposition voiced against discontinuance at this time.

FOSTER-HAMLIN ENGAGEMENT

Mr. and Mrs. David S. Foster of East Bethel announce the engagement of their daughter, Clara, to Walter Hamlin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Hamlin of South Waterford and Tarpon Springs, Fla.

Miss Foster is a graduate of Gould Academy and is employed in Norway. Mr. Hamlin is employed as a plumber's helper. The wedding will take place in the spring.

TO HOLD TESTS FOR STATE POLICE ENLISTMENT NEXT MONTH

Col. Robert Marx, Maine State Police Chief, has announced that the written phase of the examination process to establish qualification for enlistment in the Maine State Police will be held Saturday, January 15th in four widely separated sections of the State.

Those interested in qualification must file application for the examination postmarked not later than January 3rd and they must meet the following standards: must have at least a high school education or an equivalency certificate must weigh a minimum of 150 pounds, must stand at least 5' 7" tall must be a citizen of Maine, between the ages of twenty-one and thirty, of good moral character, and must be able to pass the required physical examination.

Birth certificate and photograph must accompany the application. All applications should be addressed to Chief of Maine State Police, Augusta, Maine.

ROADSIDE GRILLE CLOSING

FRIDAY, DEC. 31 UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

Thank you all for your patronage Martha and Billy

G. L. Kneeland, D. O. General Practice Eyes Examined—Glasses Fitted Hours: 10 a.m.—12 m.; 7-4, 6-8 p.m. Except Thursday Afternoons and Sundays Tel. 84

WATCH OUT FOR FEB. 4

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EDITORIAL

Changing Times

It is expected that a small representation of village voters will meet this Thursday evening to consider the important matter of continuing the operation of the Bethel Village Corporation. This organization, which received its charter from the Legislature in 1859, was the pride of Bethel Village for many years.

In its earlier days, its by-laws were enacted seriously and mainly received the respect and observance of all. In horse and buggy days, when we have probably twice the present footage of sidewalks, bicyclists were supposed to ride in the streets. In those days most of the streets were poor compared with the good dirt, board or

black-topped sidewalks. For a long period of time too the three fire companies maintained a fierce competition and all three developed excellent records of efficiency thereby. The Common was beautifully adorned with shrubbery and walks and the trees alongside the streets—many more than at present—were kept in top condition.

As we understand it, those who retain a nominal interest in village affairs have the opinion that all concerned will be better satisfied if the conduct of village affairs is transferred into the hands of a strong town management, such as we now have, with an added hope for economies in administration.

Economic Highlights

Happenings That Affect the Future of Every Individual — National and International Problems Inseparable from Local Welfare

Columnist Frank Kent recently had some tart words to say about the furor that has arisen over the Dixon-Yates contract, under which private enterprise is to build a \$107,000,000 steam electric plant to supply needed power to a big Atomic Energy Commission installation in Arkansas. He wrote: "The whole debate, in and out of Congress, is drenched in the most bitter and partisan politics and the gates have been opened for a flood of demagoguery not exceeded in many years." He also made this acid observation: "The present unfortunate situation could not exist but for the ineptitude and stupidity of the Republicans."

One doesn't have to be an engineer or a lawyer to understand the reasoning back of these views. For the opponents of the contract have done a potent job of obscuring its provisions and purposes—and, for the most part, administration defenders have been much less effective in presenting their side.

It would take a book to list all the points of controversy, and some of them are hopelessly befogged in complex and irreconcilable sets of statistics. But the main ones are about as follows:

It is charged that the contract is designed to undermine TVA. Yet the President has categorically denied this. Mr. Kent described the Eisenhower position accurately when he said: "He does not want to destroy TVA, but neither does he want to expand all over the country the principle of tax support while exempt from tax contributions particularly when private enterprise is equipped and willing to take over the expansion."

It is charged that the cost of Dixon-Yates power would be much greater than if TVA expanded suf-

ciently to supply it. Yet documented estimates show that most of this difference lies in the fact that TVA wouldn't pay taxes on the revenues, while the Dixon-Yates system would. As the Saturday Evening Post put it editorially, "Undoubtedly TVA could charge less for power than can private companies which must pay taxes and interest on their capital, but what the Government would save on one side of the ledger it would lose on the other."

It has been charged that the contract "guarantees" the Dixon-Yates group a handsome profit. To put it mildly, that seems quite an exaggeration. The Bureau of the Budget has said, "The only element of profit in this proposal is the return to the sponsors on their \$5,500,000 of equity capital. This would amount to \$495,000 annually." So far as the rest of the investment is concerned, more than \$100,000,000, there is no guarantee. Indeed, if it should prove that estimated construction costs are too low, which is certainly possible, the return to the investors could be sharply reduced, or even eliminated.

Finally, so far as the general charge that the contract is financially unfavorable to the taxpayers is concerned, a long list of responsible authorities have testified to the opposite. To take two examples, AEC General Manager Nichols stated that he believes the contract is "fair and reasonable." And the Federal Power Commission, after considering all the factors involved and viewing the contract as a whole, used the identical words.

Why, then, all the hooting and hollering? Here is the reason Mr. Kent gives: "There is plenty of room for difference of opinion on the basic principle involved: A sharp division between those who believe in private enterprise and those who believe in public ownership. That is at the bottom of the fight."

NEWRY

Herbert Morton Jr. and family and Mrs. Daisy Reed and son of Rumford were Christmas guests at the home of Mrs. Daisy Morton.

A Christmas party of twenty-one members held at the home of Mrs. Hartley Harston included her seven children, four grandchildren, and four great-grandchildren.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tripp and son, Peter, were guests of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Dean at Sunday River.

Mrs. Suzanne Wright returned on Tuesday after several days spent at Fryburg, N. H.

William Cannon and Donald Hayner of the U. S. Navy base at Norfolk, Virginia, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Tripp.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Vail were guests at the home of their granddaughter, Mrs. Frank Parsons, in Belfast.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Vail Jr. and three children spent Christmas with the family in Fryburg, N. H.

The Christmas gathering at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wright included Mr. and Mrs. George Wright and family of Upton, Me. and Mrs. William Wright and children of Old Town. Mr. and Mrs. Paul Wright and family of Newry, Owen Wright of Fort Dix, N. J., Len Wright, and Mrs. Charles Wright of Newry.

Len Wright and son, Daniel, spent Sunday in Sanford, with Mrs. Elizabeth Wright Galt who with her husband and three children of Greenport, N. Y., are spending a week's vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. George Learned entertained their daughter, Mrs. George Olson, and family, of East Bethel.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Davis and son, Norman, were Christmas

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CARD OF THANKS

I wish to thank the Bethel Bazaar Christmas Committee, or any, one who contributed to the lovely Christmas Box of Food, and the nice box of clothing. It was greatly appreciated.

Florence Machia and family

guests of her sister, Mrs. Arthur Lord in Fryburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence Vail of Dedham, Mass., are guests of Mrs. Ida Vail and Mr. and Mrs. Leon Enman.

Walter Enman of Dedham, Mass., spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Leon Enman.

Mrs. Beale Learned had as Christmas guests Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Pugliese and family of South Portland and Mr. and Mrs. Roy Thurston and daughter of Rumford.

Melvena Learned is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. George Olson.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Brooke entertained their brother, Harold and family, of Jefferson, N. H.

Mrs. Robert Davis was hostess to the Extension Association at a Christmas party on Monday evening. A Christmas tree with exchange of gifts, games and refreshments were enjoyed.

The Ladies Circle will meet at the home of Mrs. Roy Tripp on Monday evening, Jan. 3. Mrs. Paul Wright will have charge of the devotions.

Owen Wright is now stationed at Fort Dix, N. J. He recently completed a nine weeks course in a school of mechanics at Fort Benning, Ga., with the highest rank of a class of forty. His address is: Pvt. Frederic O. Wright, HQ and HQ Co., 716 MP Bn., Fort Dix, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gauthier are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter who has been named Margaret.

The Executive Committee of Bear River Grange met Monday evening and voted to install a new furnace at the hall. A new water supply was recently installed.

Mrs. Claude Herrick is a patient at the Maine Eye and Ear Infirmary in Portland.

DALE CARNEGIE

CHARLES T. BUCKMAN, 2804 W. Front Street, Alhambra, California, about twelve years ago, was managing a large super market in Memphis, Tennessee—and he was about to become a nervous wreck from worry. He worried about everything. If business was good, he worried about how to get enough merchandise to take care of it. If it was bad, he worried about how he was going to get rid of the merchandise he had on hand. Then there were ration stamps, coffee and sugar stamps, government forms and regulations to keep up with.

He got to the point where he couldn't sleep, ate with little or no relish, and he was so cross and irritable around his home that he says he wonders how his wife ever put up with him.

Came the day he was to go on his vacation. And his supervisor happened in before he got away. And nothing pleased him. He thought, Mr. Buckman should stay over another day. But Mr. Buckman thought, "I must get out of this before I go crazy." And that is just what he did. He resigned right then.

When he got home, even though he was out of work, he felt wonderfully free, as if a heavy weight had been lifted from his shoulders. Right then he decided there would be no more worrying on his part; that it just wasn't worth it.

He went out and got himself another job, and when he got off from work in the afternoon he went home—and the job stayed there.

In his new work he carries a lot of responsibility and has a lot of important decisions to make. He makes them as quickly as possible and to the best of his ability. If he finds them right, fine; if wrong, he says to himself that others have been wrong before so he doesn't worry about it.

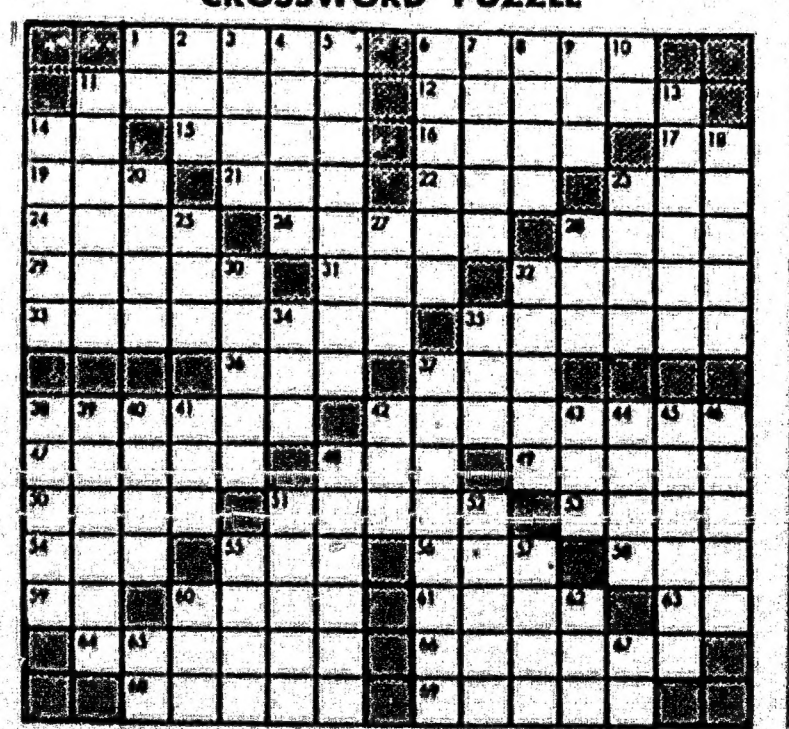


AS THE 84th Congress convenes on January 5, there is every indication that the undertones of ill-feeling and bitterness engendered during the tenure of Senator Joseph McCarthy, of Wisconsin, will break through the orderly and even procedure in the Senate, and likely in the House also.

Senator McCarthy gives little evidence of any chastening effects after the historic senate action, which by an overwhelming vote of 67 to 23, passed the censure resolution condemning the Wisconsin senator for his words and actions which, "contrary to senatorial ethics brought the senate into dishonor and disrepute, and tended to obstruct the constitutional processes of the Senate and to impair its dignity." That the Senate action was no minor reproof, nor a slap on the wrist is evidenced by the fact that McCarthy is only the fourth member of the Senate to be so censured and condemned in the long history of that body.

Political observers in Washington see these possible effects of the censure hearings: On the Democratic side, there was complete party discipline, and not a single Democratic senator opposed the censure; On the Republican side, the party, already split wide open, was further ruptured when Senator Knowland, of California, the GOP floor leader took up the cudgel on behalf of McCarthy. It is freely predicted that this action by Senator Knowland, coupled with his other opposition tactics, such as on foreign relations, against the Eisenhower administration, may cost him his leadership of the Republicans in the 84th Congress.

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BRYANT POND

Mrs. Edith C. Abbott, Corres. — Mr and Mrs Robert Herrick were the Christmas guests of their daughter and husband, Mr and Mrs Raymond Starbird, East Sumner.

Christmas Day guests of Mr and Mrs Leslie Abbott were Mr and Mrs Donald Bennett, sons, Dean and Jimmie, Locke Mills; Mr and Mrs Robert Farrington and son, Alan, Town, and Mr and Mrs Harland Harlow and son, Gary, South Woodstock.

Judith Grover Tent No. 17 met at the home of Beale Andrews with eight members present. Christmas cards were read from other Tents. Election of officers was held: President, Edith Hathaway; Senior Vice President, Beale House; Junior Vice President, Alice Hoyt; Chaplain, Mildred Dunham; Treasurer, Beale Andrews; Council Member No. 1, Ruth Dunham; Council Member No. 2, Helen Fing; Council Member No. 3, Alice Wardwell; Patriotic Instructor, Arlene MacKillop. Sister Helen Ring was voted to act as Installing Officer. Committee for January: Mrs Beale Andrews and Mrs Alice Wardwell. It was voted to serve a supper before installation. Sister Minnie Jordan and Sister Alice Holt reported having colds. 33 calls made. Sister Edith Hathaway received the mystery package.

Mr and Mrs Arthur Andrews had a family party on Christmas when Mr and Mrs Harris Hathaway, Mr and Mrs Linwood Ring, Mr and Mrs Gordon Farnum, Mr and Mrs Arthur Wardwell, Mr and Mrs Reynold Jordan, Miss Harriett Hathaway, Arthur Ring, Kaye Ring, Mr and Mrs Kenneth Hoyt, Lentrice Farnum, Mr and Mrs Erland Scribner and Duane, Mr and Mrs Belmont House, Phillip and Tommy, Mr and Mrs Roland McMillan, Roland Dunham, Ruth Noyes, Jean and Jane Wardwell, Mrs Theodore Dunham, Theodore Dunham was unable to be present on account of asthma. A lovely dinner was enjoyed followed by a Christmas tree. On Sunday Mr and Mrs Mahlon Grover, Donna and Reed Grover, Althea Inman, and daughter, Gail had dinner with Mr and Mrs Arthur Andrews.

Mr and Mrs Erland Scribner and Duane left for their home in Virginia, Sunday afternoon.

Mr and Mrs Reginald Jordan took Miss Harriett Hathaway back to Connecticut Monday afternoon to her work.

Theodore Dunham was ill last week from an attack of asthma.

His son, Roland Dunham, substituted for him as mail carrier. Mr and Mrs Alden Chase were the guests Christmas Day of their son, Dr Allan S Chase and family at Norway.

Mr and Mrs J Everett Howe entertained their sons, Francis Howe, wife and Paula; Edwin Howe, wife and Wayne, on Saturday.

Mr and Mrs Clarence Cole were the dinner guests of their son, Gardner and family, Christmas Day.

Mr and Mrs Frank Hayes spent Christmas Day at South Paris as guests of Mrs Norma Terrill.

Saturday guests of Mr and Mrs James Billings were Mr and Mrs Oscar Twitchell and Mr and Mrs B R Billings. On Sunday a dinner party was held by the Twitchell family at Yarmouth with Mr and Mrs Ellsworth MacDonald.

Mr and Mrs Elden Hathaway's Christmas visitors were Mr and Mrs John Pellerine, Portland, Mr and Mrs Jason Bennett, Locke Mills, and Mr and Mrs Rupert Hathaway.

Mr and Mrs Henry Morgan entertained at dinner guests Sunday, their daughter and husband, Mr and Mrs Frank Jordan and family, Portland. And at a Christmas tree in the afternoon, all their children and families, numbering about 40.

Mrs Elden Hathaway and son, Michael left Monday afternoon for a few days visit with Dr and Mrs A G H Power, Bloomfield, N. J.

Universalist Church: Worship Services at 9:30 a. m. Sunday, Rev. Gordon Newell, pastor. Church School at 10:45 a. m. Mrs Leslie Abbott, Supt.

Mr and Mrs Donald Hooper of Portland and Mr and Mrs Roydon Billings, Old Town, were the holiday and week guests of Mr and Mrs LaForest Twitchell.

Misspman Sterling Mills came from Castine Wednesday night to spend the Christmas holidays with his parents, Mr and Mrs Norman Mills.

40th Wedding Anniversary Observance

Mr and Mrs Rupert Hathaway observed their 40th wedding anniversary Thursday, Dec. 23. Open house was held for them by their son and wife, Mr and Mrs Elden Hathaway, in the evening. They received gifts, including cut flowers from their aunt, Mrs Fannie Ross, and a bouquet from Jefferson Chapter, OES. Refreshments were served, which included a beautifully decorated cake made by Miss Young, Locke Mills, Mrs Silvia

GREENWOOD CITY

Mrs. Colista Morgan, Cor.

Mr and Mrs Nestor Tamminen entertained at a large Christmas party on Christmas Day.

Roy Millett and son, Norman, spent Christmas at Herman Robinson's in Peru.

The Hayes family were in Portland on Saturday evening.

There has been much sickness in town the past two weeks. Those who have been ill are Robert Morgan, Ann and David Holt, Michael and Wayne Hakala and the children of Mr and Mrs Fred Curtis.

Mr and Mrs Clyde Morgan and Ann and Robert Holt attended the Christmas party at Rena Bacon's at West Paris on Sunday.

Wayne Hakala has returned home from the CMG Hospital, where he was a surgical patient for a week.

Ray, youngest child of Mr and Mrs Fred Curtis, is a patient at the CMG Hospital in Lewiston.

Mona Whitman, South Paris, is visiting her aunt, Mrs Clyde Morgan, for a few days.

Juddins, Mrs Cora Bennett and Mrs Elsie Bennett assisted in serving.

WEST GREENWOOD

Mrs. Paul W. Croteau, Cor.

S/Sgt. Randolph Rosenburger of Wichita Falls, Texas, is visiting his wife and daughter at Mrs Amy Bunker's.

Mr and Mrs Paul Croteau Jr. and son accompanied Mrs P W Croteau Sr. to Boston recently.

Miss Nancy Gibbs was a guest at Alden Wilson's a few days last week. Miss Gloria Wilson is visiting Miss Gibbs at Peabody, Mass., this week.

Pvt Rodney Harrington is stationed with the 32nd Army Medical Depot, Brooke Army Medical Center, San Antonio, Texas.

Mr and Mrs Horton Beck and daughter of Gorham, N. H., were recent callers at Joe Deegan's.

Mrs B L Harrington accompanied Mr and Mrs Gerald Harrington to Lewiston one day last week.

Mr and Mrs J H Deegan called at Joe Deegan's Friday night. Mr and Mrs J J Spinney and daughter, Mary, were guests of the Joe Deegan's, Christmas.

Mrs B L Harrington, sons, Franklin and Raymond, accompanied Mr and Mrs Gerald Harrington and family to R C Richardson's, Newry Corner, Christmas evening.

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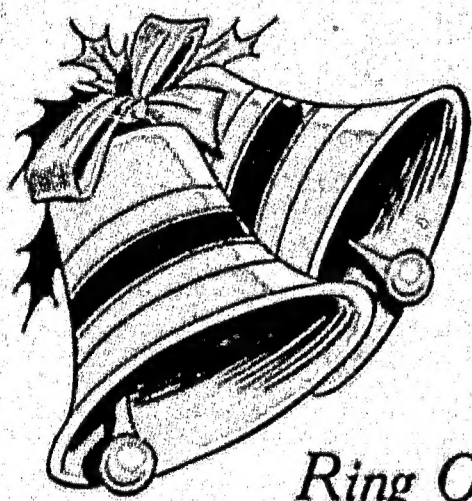
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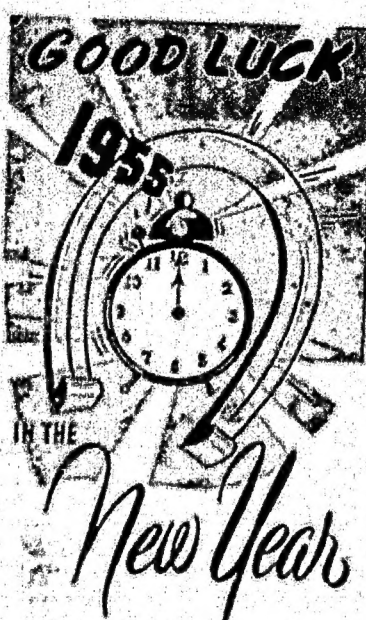
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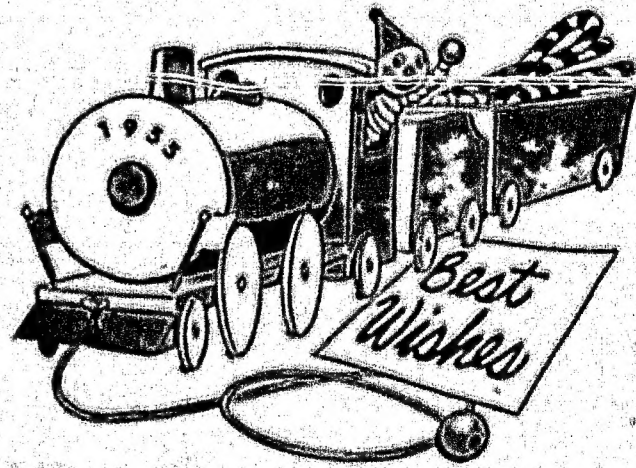
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UPTON

Mrs. C. A. Judkins - On Christmas Day C. A. Judkins entertained three sons, Fred, Albin, and their wife daughter and her husband Roland Bernier and his. In the evening Fred, Mr and Mrs Albin and Mrs Kendrick went to Fred's home played pinocle. On the Christmas another day Sidney B. Abbott with hand and children of ner were guests of Mr Judkins. Christmas guests of Ban Barnett were a children and grandchild and Mrs James Barnett, Errol, N. H.; Mr George Wight and family Mr and Mrs Eugene East Kingston, N. H.; Willard Wight, Great and Mrs Dwight Westville; Mr and Mrs M. nett and family, and L. Upton; Mr and Mrs Mexico.

Mr and Mrs Horace and family spent the holidays in Berlin, N. H. Guests of Mr and Fuller on Dec. 25 were Mrs. Elaine Taylor and Weeks, with their husband, from Nashua. Mr and Mrs Claude spent the holiday with daughter and husband, Mr. Ivan Garay, West Bethel. Mr and Mrs Richard and family spent several the holiday season with near Bangor.

Holiday guests of Mr. Williamson were Mr and Mrs. Fraser and family, Mr. and Mrs. Archie Steveway.

The Community Christmas and entertainment, with Mrs. Judkins and Mr. Lombard in charge, was the Church on Friday evening. Mr and Mrs W. J. Keegan brought oranges from Florida for children.

Leaile Fuller visited in Rumford over the holidays.

EXTENSION ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP REACHES 15,351. A total of 15,351 Maine women had paid their their County Extension dues by November 30. Included 9,520 women and men. The total was an increase from the membership of 15,116 from the membership time of annual Extension this fall. Making the largest since annual meeting. Aroostook, Penobscot, and Sagadahoc, Hancock, Waldo, Knox-Lincoln, and set counties. Hancock and Counties have topped the memberships of a year. Hancock County has more Extension members than for the previous year. Rosters open and everyone interested to become an Extension member.

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UPTON

— Mrs. C. A. Judkins Corres. — On Christmas Day Mr and Mrs C A Judkins entertained their three sons, Fred, Albert and Kendrick, and their wives, and one daughter and her husband, Mr and Mrs Roland Bernier and their families. In the evening Mr and Mrs Fred, Mr and Mrs Albert, and Mr and Mrs Kendrick Judkins, all went to Fred's home where they played pinocle. On the day before Christmas another daughter, Mrs Sidney B Abbott with her husband and children of East Sumner were guests of Mr and Mrs C A Judkins.

Christmas guests of Mr and Mrs Ban Barnett were all of their children and grandchildren: Mr and Mrs James Barnett and family, Errol, N. H.; Mr and Mrs George Wight and family, Upton; Mr and Mrs Eugene McKeecher, East Kingston, N. H.; Mr and Mrs Willard Wight, Great Works; Mr and Mrs Dwight Weston, Riddellville; Mr and Mrs Malcolm Barnett and family, and Lee Barnett, Upton; Mr and Mrs Lee Brown, Mexico.

Mr and Mrs Horace Goodrum and family spent the holidays with relatives in Berlin, N. H. Guests of Mr and Mrs Colon Fuller on Dec. 25 were his daughters, Elaine Taylor and Beverly Weeks, with their husbands and children, from Nashua, N. H.

Mr and Mrs Claude Lombard spent the holiday with their daughter and husband, Mr and Mrs Ivan Garay, West Bethel. Mr and Mrs Richard Williamson and family spent several days of the holiday season with her sister, near Bangor.

Holiday guests of Mrs Esther Williamson were Mr and Mrs Donald Fraser and family, Bethel, and Mr and Mrs Archie Stevens of Norway.

The Community Christmas Tree and entertainment, with Mrs Beatrice Judkins and Mrs Bertha Lombard in charge, was held at the Church on Friday evening Dec. 24. Mr and Mrs W J Kenyon sent oranges from Florida for all the children.

Leslie Fuller visited his sons in Rumford over the holiday week end.

EXTENSION ASSOCIATION MEMBERSHIP REACHES 15,351

A total of 15,351 Maine men and women had paid their dues in their County Extension Associations by November 30. The total included 9,520 women and 5,831 men. The total was an increase of 1,515 from the membership at the time of annual Extension meetings this fall. Making the largest increase since annual meetings were Arrowood, Penobscot, Androscoggin-Sagadahoc, Hancock, York, Waldo, Knox-Lincoln, and Somerset counties. Hancock and Waldo Counties have topped their total memberships of a year ago, and Hancock County has more men Extension members than for the entire previous year. Rosters are still open and everyone interested is invited to become an Extension Association member.

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CHURCH ACTIVITIES

BETHEL METHODIST CHURCH
Robert A. Carter, Minister
Miss Minnie Wilson, Sunday School Superintendent

Miss Nesta Gordon, Organist
9:45 a. m. Church School.
11:00 a. m. Morning Worship.
Sermon: "Divine Guidance."
7:30 p. m. Senior MYF at the Church.

7:30 p. m. Vesper Service. Meditation: "One Year to Live."
8:00 p. m. Bible Seminar. Subject: "Moses."

Monday, Jan. 3; 8:00 p. m.: Church School teachers will meet at the Methodist Parsonage.
Thursday, Jan. 6:
2:00 p. m. WSCS Afternoon Group will meet at the home of Mrs Sylvia Lutton.

3:30. Junior Choir will meet at the Church.
8:30. Senior Choir will meet at the Church.

If anyone is interested in putting their Christmas cards to a good Christian use please contact Rev. Carter.

WEST PARISH CHURCH
Charles L. Pendleton, Minister
Mrs. John Tobbet, Choir Director
Dawnie Christie, Organist
Services for Sunday, Jan. 2
9:30 a. m. Church School.
11:00 a. m. Morning Worship.

The communion sermon is called "Comfort Ye, Comfort Ye, My People." The Junior Choir will sing.
Thursday, January 6: Ladies' Club will meet at the home of Mrs John H. Carter.

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9:30 a. m. Morning Worship. The Junior Choir of West Parish Church will provide special music.

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Golden Text: "Hear, O Israel: The Lord our God is one Lord." (Deuteronomy 6:4).
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BRYANT POND BAPTIST CHURCH
Rev. G. E. Lindahl, Pastor
Friday, Dec. 31: Watch Night Service at South Paris Baptist Church.

Sunday, Jan. 2:
Sunday School, 9:15 a. m.
Morning Worship, 10:30 a. m.
Evening Service, 7:30 p. m.
Wednesday, Jan. 6: Midweek Bible Study Hour, 7:30 p. m.

Thursday, Jan. 6:
Junior Choir Rehearsal, 6:30 p. m.
Senior Choir Rehearsal, 7:00 p. m.
The annual Christmas Concert by the Senior Choir was presented on Sunday evening, Dec. 26.

Following is the program: His Name Shall be Called Wonderful—Full choir—Duet, Miss Orissa Wolcott, Mrs Jeannette Carlini, solo, H Kirke Stowell; The Night Is Passed, full choir; No Place But a Stable, Miss Jean Carlini; Glory to GOD In The Highest, duet, Miss Jean Carlini, Mrs Jeannette Carlini, full choir; Sing It Out, Ring It Out, full choir; Tell the Glad Tidings Again, full choir; Star of Bethlehem, full choir; Seeking the King, solo, James Whynnaught; Silent Night, full choir, obligato by Miss Jean Carlini. Reader, Mrs Richard Rogers. Organist, Mrs H K Stowell. Those taking part in the choir were: Leatrice Farnum, Kaye Ring, Pearl Farrington, Louise Sweetser, Merle Warner, Jean Carlini, Jeannette Carlini, Orissa Walcott, James Whynnaught, H Kirke Stowell.

EAST BETHEL

— Mrs. David Foster, Corres. —

Mr and Mrs Fred Haines and sons, Charlie and Freddie, were guests of Mr and Mrs Lendell Nevins in Lewiston this week end.

Week end guests of Mr and Mrs Lewis Curtis were Mr and Mrs Guy Scribner of Albany, Mrs Shirley Chonas of Otisfield, Mrs Norma Connolly of Portland, Mr and Mrs Alfred Wilde, Judy and Laurie Wilde of Norway, Mr and Mrs Nell Ward of Harrison, Mr and Mrs Olga Whitman, Mrs Gertrude Marston of South Paris.

Mr and Mrs Chester Harrington, Judy, Gloria, Esther and Wilma Harrington were holiday guests of Mr and Mrs Wayne Moore in South Paris.

Ernest Swan and family of Locke Mills were holiday guests of Mr and Mrs Lee Swan.

Mr and Mrs George Gamble and

baby of Scotia, N. Y., were holiday guests of Mr and Mrs Robert Hastings.

Mr Ruth Hastings and son, Edward, were holiday guests of Mrs Linnie Cole and Leo Cole in Greenwood.

Miss Adele Kimball is home from her studies at Gorham Teachers College for the Christmas vacation.

Mr and Mrs Robert Hastings went to Portland Tuesday to meet Miss Mary Alice Hastings, who is having a short vacation from her studies in Detroit, Mich.

Mr and Mrs Cleve Bartlett were guests of relatives in Boston over the holiday week end.

Mr and Mrs Almon Coolidge and family were Christmas guests of Leland Coolidge and family.

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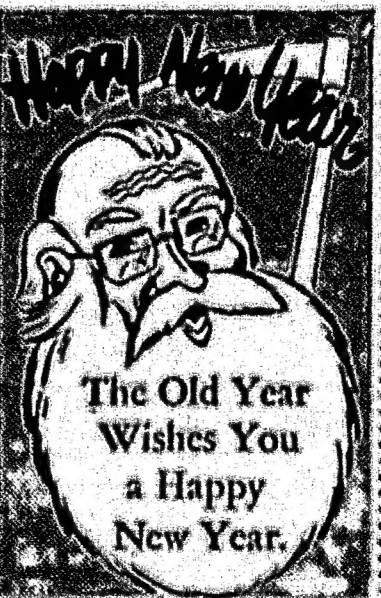


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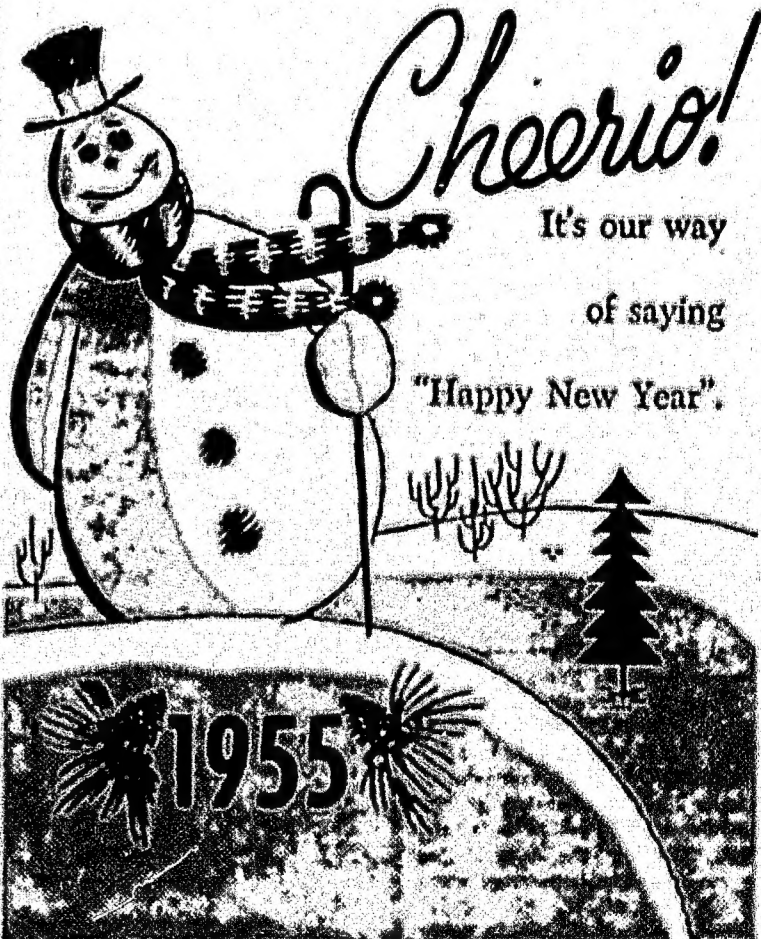


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Thursday, December 30

Read Mark 8:31-37.

What shall a man give in exchange for his soul? (Mark 8:37.) JESUS made some most striking remarks, as found in our Bible reading for today. Peter had just made the great confession, saying to Jesus, "Thou art the Christ." Jesus thereupon told the disciples something of what He had to endure and suffer. Peter rebuked Jesus for saying that the Christ must suffer and die. Suffering was to be God's way of proving His love for man and of truly giving Himself to man. There was no other way.

Likewise, there is no other way for us to prove our love. We must be willing to sacrifice, to suffer,

even to die if need be, in behalf of those we love.

"God is love" means God is self-giving. The measure of our love is the extent to which we are willing to give ourselves, and do give ourselves, in unselfish service. The giving of self in such service is its own reward.

Prayer

Eternal God, Thou hast given Thyself to us. Help us to receive the gift, and in response to give ourselves to Thee. In the name of Christ, who taught us to pray, "Our Father who art in heaven.....Amen."

Thought For The Day

The giving of self in service in Christ's name is its own reward.
—Bond Fleming (Mississippi)

WEST BETHEL

Mrs. Ruth Gilbert, Corres.

Pleasant Valley Grange met Thursday night with eight members and two visitors present. Thank you were read from Albert Bennett for sunshine basket and from Opportunity Farm and Children's Home for donations. Refreshment committee for next meeting is Mrs. Paul Head, George Gilbert and Mrs. Arthur Gilbert. The program consisted of a reading by Ruth Gilbert, candlelighting service and Ten Commandments by Lona Gilbert and Lettie Hall. The meeting was followed by exchange of gifts and refreshments of candy and pop corn served by Mrs. Norman Hall, Mrs. Katherine Bennett and Mrs. Robert Gilbert. Miss Lucille Wild, Shelburne, N. H., is a guest of Mr and Mrs Richard Walker.

Mrs. Ernest Westleigh was admitted to CMG Hospital, Lewiston, last Tuesday.

Mr and Mrs Roy Newton were in Dixfield Thursday.

Mr and Mrs Allen Walker were in Dixfield, Friday.

Mr and Mrs Paul Croteau, West Greenwood, called on Mr and Mrs Charles Hancock, Friday night.

Mrs and Mrs Richard Walker and Diana were in Shelburne, N. H., Saturday.

Mrs Louisa Tibbetts has gone from Ernest Westleigh's to her son's, Elgin Tibbetts, in Bethel, because of illness.

Miss Mickey Grover spent last week visiting in Rumford.

Week end guests of Mr and Mrs Roy Newton were Robert McKean, Bryant Pond, and Mr and Mrs Kermit McAlley and children, of Dixfield.

ALBANY - WATERFORD

Lillian L. Brown, Corres.

Mr and Mrs Graham Bachelder and daughters, Candace and Margaret, Mr and Mrs Donald Brown, Mr and Mrs Frederick Sayward spent Christmas day with the Ernest Browns. Mr and Mrs David McAllister and David Jr. were among the afternoon callers. David, Jr., who has been home on furlough during the holiday season returned to Virginia Sunday afternoon.

Mr and Mrs Hervey Kimball and family spent Christmas with relatives away.

Lawrence Marston was a recent caller at Ernest Brown's.

The Sawin Hill road was plowed for the first time Christmas morning, not needing it before. "Genie" McAllister did a good job with Raynor Brown's grader.

Mr and Mrs Roland Bonney and family were callers one evening at Ernest Brown's.

LOCKE MILLS

Mrs. Mary Mills, Corres.

The Men's Club and the men employees at the Elco Tebbets Inc. will have an oyster stew supper at the Legion Rooms next Wednesday at 6:30. The Men's Club meeting will follow the supper.

The Junior Choir of the Bethel Congregational Church will sing at the church service next Sunday morning.

Pvt Carroll Melville returned to Fort Knox, Kentucky, the first of the week after spending several days with his family.

Miss Fern Tirrell of South Paris has been a guest of her sister, Mrs. Roger Twitchell, and family.

Mr and Mrs Harry Swanson and Lee and Bruce Swanson of Biddeford were holiday guests of Westleigh and Bertha Kimball.

Mr and Mrs Clarence Howe and son, Robert, of Portland visited with Mr and Mrs Clarence Howe over the week end.

Mr and Mrs Henry Leach and daughter, Barbara, were Christmas Day guests of Mr and Mrs John Kennedy at Paris Hill.

Mr and Mrs Norwood Ford and

CARD OF THANKS

We desire to express to our kind neighbors and thoughtful friends and relatives our heartfelt thanks for their many expressions of sympathy during our recent bereavement, also to Rev. Pendleton for his words of comfort.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis R. Curtis
Mrs. Gertrude R. Marston
Mr. and Mrs. Guy Scribner and family
Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Curtis and family

Leslie Mason visited his mother, Mrs. Lettie Ford, at Sumner, on Sunday.

Larry Cummings is visiting with relatives at Abington, Mass., this week.

STATE OF MAINE

To all persons interested in either of the Estates hereinafter named: At a Probate Court held at Paris, in and for the County of Oxford, on the third Tuesday of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-four, from day to day from the third Tuesday of said December. The following matters having been presented for the action thereupon hereinafter indicated, it is hereby Ordered:

That notice thereof be given to all persons interested, by causing a copy of this order to be published three weeks successively in the Oxford County Citizen a newspaper published at Bethel in said County, that they may appear at a Probate Court to be held at Paris, on the third Tuesday of January A. D. 1955, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon, and be heard thereon if they see cause.

Granville A. Chapman, also called Jack A. Chapman, late of Gilford, deceased; Will and petition for probate thereof and the appointment of Jessie S. Chapman as executrix of the same to act without bond as expressed in said Will, presented by Jessie S. Chapman, the executrix therein named.

Witness, Shelton C. Noyes Judge of said Court at Paris this third Tuesday of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fifty-four.

EARLE R. CLIFFORD, Register 52-2

SUNDAY RIVER

Mrs. R. M. Fleet, Corres.

Mr and Mrs Archie Young Jr. are receiving congratulations on the birth of a daughter, Kathy Ann at the Rumford hospital on Christmas Day.

Mrs Harland Scott of Hartford, Conn., spent Christmas with her parents, the RM Beans.

Miss Mildred Bates is a surgical patient at the Rumford hospital. Mrs Eleanor Gilman underwent surgery at Rumford hospital last week and is reported to be gaining nicely.

Mr and Mrs R M Bean were in Portland Monday and had an accident at Locke Mills when they were returning. Neither was hurt but some damage was done to the car.

Mr Foster was here from Rumford with the anti-freeze for the weather machine.

The Sunday River Sunday School closed with a tree Sunday evening instead of Tuesday as first planned. The following program was presented: The First Christmas Gift, Sheila Roberts; Gifts for Jesus — Primary, Gerald Nowlin, Sharon Brown, Robert Bates, Ruth Witter, Michael Bates, Carolyn Roberts, Charles Runnels, Glynnda Witter; Hymn—Hark the Herald Angels Sing—All; Glory to the Newborn King — Julie Reynolds, Crystel Witter, Irene Williams; Hymn—O Come All Ye Faithful—All; To Bethlehem. George Reynolds; Hymn—O Little Town of Bethlehem—All; Christmas Star, Clyde Nowlin; Song—Away In a Manger—School. The gifts were taken from the tree and all enjoyed the refreshments.

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Left—card index record of thousands of adjusted losses.

Right—field offices speed up adjusters' reports to fire insurance companies.



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1954 was the worst year in New England history for hurricanes. "Carol" and "Edna" created havoc over wide areas.

For the fire insurance companies serving you, 1954 was an unprecedented year, too. More service in terms of windstorm losses adjusted—properties restored and policyholders aided—was rendered than ever before.

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When the figures are all in, fire insurance companies will have paid in excess of \$138,000,000 to policyholders in hurricanes "Carol" and "Edna" losses. This includes more than 745,000 claims. And, in addition, Hurricane "Hazel" losses are estimated to equal those of "Carol" and "Edna."

Industry Mobilized! Immediately after each hurricane, your fire insurance companies mobilized every available resource to help handle claims. Hundreds of adjusters were brought in to New England from as far away as the Pacific

Coast. Adjusting personnel was expanded to more than 10 times the normal staff. Emergency offices were set up throughout the storm areas and are still operating. Overtime work was the rule. Everything was done to speed the flow of



A fire insurance company employee is shown completing records of hundreds of checks for losses paid to policyholders.

insurance payments into your community so that you could rebuild, repair and recover from the storm.

Some claims admittedly were difficult to adjust, but every effort has been made to expedite payments. Also, hurricanes overlapped so that damage was piled upon damage, complicating the job of adjustment still further.

75 per cent of all losses in New England have been adjusted! In spite of the unusual size of the operation, the job is nearly done. Your fire insurance companies can report that three-fourths of all claims have been adjusted, and remaining claims are in the process of being completed.

We are pleased to make this report so that the extent of the problem and the unusual steps that have been taken may be known. Also we want to thank you, the public, for the patience and understanding you have shown under trying conditions.



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SONGO POND

Mrs. Ralph Kimball, Corcoran, Mr. and Mrs. Willis Bean and children spent the Christmas week end with relatives in Rangeley. Warren Lapham and Urbain DeCormier spent Christmas with Arthur DeCormier and family in Lewiston.

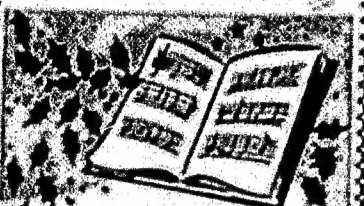
Eddie Claremont is spending some time in New York. Mr. and Mrs. Balston Bennett and children of North Fryeburg, Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Bean and daughter.

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UNIVERSITY OF MAINE'S AGRICULTURAL ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETS

Recently meeting at Orono was the Agricultural Advisory Council of the University of Maine. The Council was established in 1944 to advise the College of Agriculture, Agricultural Experiment Station, and Maine Extension Service. University President Arthur A. Hauck serves as chairman and Dean of Agriculture Arthur L. Deering as secretary. Members include Commissioner of Agriculture Fred J. Nuttall, of Cornish, ex-officio; Mrs. Robert Pike, of Cornish; G. Wilder Smith, of Cutler; Clifford G. McIntire, of Farham; Mrs. Jerome Knowles, Jr., of Northeast Harbor; Claude Hutchinson, of Houlton; Clifford B. Smith, of Bangor; James R. Pratt, of Windham; Hubert A. Bowls, of Lisbon; Carlyle R. Johnson, of Bangor; and Donald C. Prince, of Turner.

Mr. and Mrs. Ray Jewell and children of Lynchville, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Kimball, Sunday River, Mr. and Mrs. Aubrey Graves and boys of Lovell, Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Barker and boys of Norway, called on their mother, Mrs. Maud Kimball during the holiday week end.

Mrs. Jennie Claremont and daughter spent Christmas in Gorham, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Kimball and family spent Christmas week end with relatives in Unity.

Laurel Arsenault of Gorham, N. H., is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Earlon Keniston.

Howard Jewell is spending a few days with his grandmother, Mrs. Maud Kimball.

Edward Lapham and Urbain DeCormier took Joe Hamel to the CMG Hospital, Wednesday.



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BORN

In Rumford, Dec. 25, to Mr. and Mrs. Archie Young, Jr., of Bethel, a daughter, Kathy Ann.

In Rumford, Dec. 25, to Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Hanson of Bethel, a daughter.

In Rumford, Dec. 26, to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Chapman of Bethel, a son, Ernest Frank.

DIED

In Lewiston, Dec. 27, Mrs. George H. French of Turner, native of Bethel, aged 72 years.

In Bethel, Dec. 27, Mrs. Grace G. Skillings, aged 87 years.

In Lewiston, Dec. 23, Kendra Carol Curtis of Bethel, aged 2 months.

In Wentworth Location, N. H., Nov. 24, Edwin Young.

The Maine Extension Service clothing program is planned to give practical instruction in the purchase, construction, and repair of clothing for all the family.

Winners in The Specialty Shop Lucky Winner Drawing

1st prize of \$10.00 in merchandise:

Raymond Swan Locke Mills, Me.

2nd prize of \$5.00 in merchandise:

Mrs. Harold White Bethel, Me.

3rd prize of \$3.00 in merchandise:

Fred McKenzie Bethel, Me.

Years Ago

10 YEARS AGO

They were crossing the river on the ice at Rumford Point.

Bryant Pond schools bought \$41.00 in defense stamps and \$325.00 in defense bonds in the month of December.

20 YEARS AGO

W. A. Hersey, North Waterford, purchased the Oxford Box Company mill at East Stoneham.

The Portland-Berlin bus driven by Leo Roderick of Berlin was in collision with a car near Gilead. No one was injured. Two sedans took the place of the bus for a time. Death: Maria Ella Pease, Santa

Barbara, Calif.

20 YEARS AGO

Sixteen houses in Bethel village were closed. Most of the occupants had gone out of town for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Tyler went to Portland to spend the winter.

The Virgin saw-mill outfit at Hanover was purchased by Paul Clements and moved to Howard's Pond.

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